

BEARFACTS 1997 – 2007 Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Gainesville (BEA-EA) [57011]

Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Gainesville is one of 179 BEA Economic Areas in the nation. Its 2007 population of 7,371,342 ranked 8th in the nation.

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

In 2007 Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Gainesville had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$35,190. This PCPI ranked 55th in the United States and was 91 percent of the national average, \$38,615. The 2007 PCPI reflected an increase of 3.6 percent from 2006. The 2006-2007 national change was 4.9 percent. In 1997 the PCPI of Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Gainesville was \$25,399 and ranked 25th in the United States. The 1997-2007 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 3.3 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 4.3 percent.

TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

In 2007 Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Gainesville had a total personal income (TPI) of \$259,397,837*. This TPI ranked 11th in the United States. In 1997 the TPI of Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Gainesville was \$144,551,407* and ranked 10th in the United States. The 2007 TPI reflected an increase of 6.2 percent from 2006. The 2006-2007 national change was 6.0 percent. The 1997-2007 average annual growth rate of TPI was 6.0 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 5.4 percent.

COMPONENTS OF TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Gainesville. In 2007 net earnings accounted for 72.1 percent of TPI (compared with 72.8 in 1997); dividends, interest, and rent were 15.7 percent (compared with 16.7 in 1997); and personal current transfer receipts were 12.2 percent (compared with 10.5 in 1997). From 2006 to 2007 net earnings increased 5.1 percent; dividends, interest, and rent increased 10.1 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 8.3 percent. From 1997 to 2007 net earnings increased on average 5.9 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 5.4 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 7.6 percent.

EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK

Earnings of persons employed in Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Gainesville increased from \$199,736,786* in 2006 to \$209,840,365* in 2007, an increase of 5.1 percent. The 2006-2007 national change was 4.9 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1997 estimate of \$118,459,740* to the 2007 estimate was 5.9 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 5.4 percent.

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^{*}Note: All income estimates with the exception of PCPI are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.